

INTERNATIONAL MASTER PROGRAMMES FOR TRADE UNIONISTS

Labour in a Global Economy

Workers in the formal and informal economy and their trade unions are facing the challenges of rapid economic and social change. The globalisation process is undermining existing industrial relations and the social fabric of many societies, without providing an adequate new regulatory and protective framework. Research and debate on coherent social and economic labour policies are needed in order to promote an inclusive and socially sustainable model of globalisation.

The master programmes equip participants to assist workers and their organizations in engaging more effectively in social dialogue, public debate and policy implementation on central human development objectives. These include employment creation, gender equality, workers' rights and social justice, all of which are key to combating poverty and social exclusion.

Multidisciplinary

To analyse the challenges of globalisation, a multi-disciplinary approach is used, combining sociology, history, labour law, economics and political science.

International

The curricula have been developed by an international group of experts from universities, the ILO, trade unions and their research institutions. It is a unique global cooperation between academic institutions and the labour movement. Students from all continents participate in the programme, creating a genuine multicultural 'one world' research and learning environment. Additional lectures by representatives of international trade unions, partner universities, politics, civil society and the ILO ensure broad international perspectives. Internships in international trade union organisations, the ILO and European and African trade union institutions give practical insights into industrial relations and collective bargaining in a global context.

Language

Proficiency in English is a necessary condition for participation. Students may take English courses at the Universities to enhance their language skills.

Candidate Profile

- ▶ Experience in trade union or related fields.
- ▶ Bachelor's degree in political science, sociology, law, economics or an equivalent degree.
- ▶ In exceptional cases admission will be granted to candidates with skills and qualifications gained through professional experience and life-long learning.
- ▶ Female candidates are strongly encouraged to apply.

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MEETING THE CHALLENGE OF GLOBALISATION

APPLICATION
OCTOBER 01/06
MARCH 01/07

GERMANY ▶ KASSEL & BERLIN

Labour Policies and Globalisation at **University of Kassel**
and the **Berlin School of Economics**

SOUTH AFRICA ▶ JOHANNESBURG

Labour and Development at **University of the Witwatersrand**

Offered in cooperation with the ILO, Global Unions, national trade union centres and academic partner institutions throughout the world.

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The programme provides the opportunity to study partly in South Africa and partly in Germany.

The Master is a one year programme.

Scholarships:

Trade unionists can apply for a limited number of scholarships to cover the programme costs. For applicants from developing or transition countries this includes an allowance for living expenses.



In Germany the first semester will be at the University of Kassel
→ <http://www.uni-kassel.de/internat/>
and the second at the Berlin School of Economics.

→ <http://www.fhw-berlin.de/>
Studying in two cities offers the opportunity to experience social, political and cultural life in the German capital and in a medium sized German university town.

Labour Policies and Globalisation

Selection of main courses offered:

- ▶ Trade Union Strategies in a Global Economy
- ▶ Governance of Globalisation
- ▶ Strategies of Multinational Companies and Labour
- ▶ Economic Policy and Union Strategy
- ▶ International Labour Standards and Development
- ▶ Organisational Development of Trade Unions
- ▶ Gender and Globalisation
- ▶ Regulating Global Finance

In South Africa the course will be taught at the University of the Witwatersrand.

→ <http://www.wits.ac.za/>

The Programme will be coordinated by the Sociology of Work Unit.

→ <http://www.wits.ac.za/fac/arts/swop/swop.htm>

Labour and Development

Selection of main courses offered:

- ▶ Labour and Development
- ▶ Economic Policy, Globalisation and Labour
- ▶ Labour Movements in Developing Societies
- ▶ Global Institutions and Economic Restructuring
- ▶ Development as Ideology and Practice
- ▶ Sociology of Land and Agrarian Reform in South Africa
- ▶ Labour in the Global Economy
- ▶ Globalisation, Social Policy and Social Development

Close cooperation with trade unions provides excellent opportunities to study the industrial relations system in the host country.



Germany

→ <http://www.dgb.de/sprachen/englisch/kontakte.htm>



COSATU

South Africa

→ <http://www.cosatu.za.org/>

Application

The course starts:

- September 1 2007 in Germany
- January 15 2007 in South Africa.

The closing dates for application are:

- March 1 2007 in Germany
- October 1 2006 in South Africa.

For more information and applications form:

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International research, knowledge and debate together with organising and solidarity are central to the labour movement's efforts for changing policies to make decent work for all a global reality. The GLU is an innovative contribution to that process ...

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Guy Ryder,
ICFTU General Secretary